

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 5195

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Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by: (LAB)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REHIRING OF RETIRED STATE EMPLOYEES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 5-164a of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2010*):
- 3 (a) [Any] No person who has retired from the service of the state 4 under any provision of this chapter [and who is reemployed on a 5 permanent basis may elect, upon completion of not less than six 6 months of continuous service of reemployment or other state service, 7 to make contributions to the retirement fund and resume membership 8 in the retirement system. He may also elect to obtain credit for service for the period between the date of such reemployment or other state 10 service and the date of such election, provided he shall contribute to 11 the retirement fund for each month of such service a sum equal to the 12 total contributions he would have paid if he had been a member of the 13 retirement system during such period. Such payment shall be made 14 within six months of the date on which his contributions to the 15 retirement fund are resumed may be reemployed, except as provided 16 in subsection (b) of this section, for more than a single period of one

- 17 hundred and twenty calendar days. Said reemployed member shall 18 receive a retirement income during such reemployment.
 - (b) Any [person] member who has retired from the service of the state under any provision of this chapter and who is elected to serve in the General Assembly may (1) elect, effective from the first day of his term of office, to make contributions to the retirement fund and resume membership in the retirement system, and (2) receive a retirement income during said member's term of office.
 - [(c) No member reemployed under this section or under section 5-164 or elected to serve in the General Assembly or otherwise reentering state service shall receive a retirement income during such member's reemployment or other state service except (1) if such member's services as an employee are rendered for not more than ninety working days in any one calendar year, provided that any member reemployed for a period of more than ninety working days in one calendar year shall reimburse the state retirement fund for retirement income payments received during such ninety working days; (2) if such member's services are as a member of the General Assembly or as a sessional employee of the General Assembly during the regular legislative session, such member's retirement income payments shall not be suspended; or (3) if such member's preretirement services which counted towards retirement are other than as a special deputy sheriff pursuant to chapter 78, and if such member's postretirement services are as a special deputy sheriff or, on and after December 1, 2000, as a judicial marshal and such member was employed as a special deputy sheriff on July 1, 1999.]
 - [(d)] (c) Upon the [subsequent retirement of a member who has made an election under subsection (a) of this section, or upon the expiration of the term of office of a member of the General Assembly who has made an election under subsection (b) of this section, his or her retirement income shall be recomputed on the basis of his or her total period of credited state service, excluding any period for which a

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- 49 retirement salary was paid under subdivision (1) or (2) of subsection
- 50 (c) of this section, and with his <u>or her</u> base salary recomputed on the
- 51 basis of his <u>or her</u> three highest-paid years of his <u>or her</u> total state
- 52 service.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

| Section 1 | October 1, 2010 | 5-164a |
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Statement of Purpose:

To limit the duration and number of times a retired state employee may be rehired by the state in order to ensure jobs are available to new prospective employees.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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